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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

COIT et al.

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Title: NOVEL HCV NON-STRUCTURAL POLYPEPTIDE

**BLANKET PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

If a paper is untimely filed in this application or any file wrapper continuation application derived therefrom by applicant(s) or her/his/their representative, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions of this paragraph, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) to Deposit Account No. 18-1648. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee.

If a paper is concurrently or subsequently filed in this application or any file wrapper continuation application derived therefrom by applicant(s) or her/his/their representative and a fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17 is required to effect any amendment, petition or other action requested in said paper, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any deficiency in said fee, or credit any overpayment of said fee, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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